

U. S. JEWS BLAMED BY RUSSIAN PAPER

"Novoe Vremya" Charges He-brews Here with Wishing Exclusion of Their Brethren and with "Driving" Politicians.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 10.—The "Novoe Vremya" declares that the days of the Russo-American commercial treaty evidently are numbered, because no country can grant more extensive rights to foreigners than to its own subjects.

The paper declares that the logical development of the abrogation of the treaty would be the exclusion from America of hundreds of thousands of Russian Jews, and "the desire for such exclusion," adds the paper, "is the real motive of the Jews in the United States, who are driving American politicians with a pitiless whip."

The "Novoe Vremya" says that from the Russian point of view the American regulations are incredibly cruel, for instance, the rejection of immigrants who are not able to comply with the money qualifications and the exclusion of polygamists, which closes the United States to sixteen million Russian Mussulmans.

"PARTING OF THE WAYS"

Philadelphia Rabbi Discusses Russia's Passport Attitude.

Philadelphia, Dec. 10.—The Rev. Dr. Joseph Krauskopf, latterly arrested in Russia for his action on the passport question in a discourse delivered this morning in Temple Beth Shalom, Broad street, on "The Parting of the Ways Between the United States and Russia."

He spoke from the point of view of justice rather than nativity or faith. Dr. Krauskopf related his experience in finding that admission to Russia was refused to him because he was a Hebrew, and told how the popular agitation here had forced Russia to back down. He said that Russia will do likewise this time, with the nation back of the movement. His address in part was as follows:

How long yet will a country like Russia, in which barbarities are perpetrated that put civilization to shame, a country that constantly raises the question whether she is entitled to a seat in the family of nations—how long yet will such a country as that be privileged to insult a great nation like the United States? How long yet will she be allowed to violate the fundamental principle on which our nation rests—the equality of our citizens, irrespective of their religious creed or the place of their birth?

The Great Game

By Samuel Hopkins Adams
Chester Kent gets keener and keener on the scent, and confronts a few village wiseacres, in the third instalment of the best detective story of the year. See next Sunday's Magazine of the New-York Tribune

ATLANTIC LINER AGROUND

The President Grant, Bound for New York, Held in the Elbe.

Hamburg, Dec. 10.—The Hamburg-American Line steamer President Grant, bound for New York, grounded to-day off Blankenese, on the Elbe.

CHIEF DEFENDS PAGAN FAITH

Indian Speaks at Christening of Granddaughter at Niagara.

Niagara, Dec. 10.—His face turned toward the setting sun, his god, Chief Oghema Niagara, which in English means Thunder Water, this afternoon spoke the last word that will probably ever be heard here for the pagan faith of the Indians, at Tabla Rock, on the Canada side, after the christening of his granddaughter, Princess Kaw-Paw-Qus, Morning Beauty, daughter of Louis Kookuk Palmer, of No. 6716 Baden Court, Cleveland.

The child's christening took place in the Cave of the Winds, under the Horseshoe Fall, where in his parents, people of the Ojibwa tribe of Kansas, while they were on their way to pay a visit to Indians near Montreal. The ceremony to-day was performed by the Rev. G. S. G. Hares, of St. Paul's Church, this city, who annointed the infant of eleven months with spray from the cataract.

LYNCHERS ACQUITTED

Judge Holds That Accused Peasants "Mesmerized Each Other."

London, Dec. 10.—Auto-suggestion was the defence accepted by the judges at Agram, in Hungary, yesterday, when they acquitted six peasants who had taken part in a brutal case of lynching. The inhabitants of the village of Ribnik, in Croatia, had been greatly excited by a number of cases of arson in the neighborhood, and as the authorities failed them they organized a police force themselves.

RODGERS FINISHES FLIGHT

Aviator Ends Trip from Atlantic Coast in Pacific Surf.

Long Beach, Cal., Dec. 10.—Calbraith G. Rodgers, the aviator, completed the last leg of his cross-continent flight and landed on the shore of the Pacific at 1:41 o'clock this afternoon. The final lap of his trip was twelve miles. Rodgers started at Compton, where he fell on November 12.

DEER BEATS PUTNAM TRAIN

But Its Mate, Who Raced Before Engine Too Long, Gets Killed.

As the New York Central milk train leaves Highbridge at midnight for Brewster over the Putnam Division, approached Briarcliff Manor early yesterday morning the engine outlasted two shadows in the moonlight preceding its engine. Believing it was the shadow of his smokestack and another, he paid little heed.

SUMMER IN DECEMBER SAVES CITY \$200,000

Commissioner Edwards Says Last Snowfall Cost 50 Per Cent Less Because of Mild Spell.

WARMEST DEC. 10 SINCE '78

Mercury Seventeen Degrees Higher Yesterday than It Should Have Been for This Time of Year.

The springlike temperature of yesterday will be recorded in red figures on the books of the local station of the United States Weather Bureau. It was an epoch making day in the history of astronomical conditions among the weather men. Not since 1878 has a December 10 been recorded as mild. In fact, yesterday was the warmest December 10, with the exception of that same day 'way back in '78, that has been registered by the local weather bureau during a period of forty years.

The mercury frisked and gambolled in its glass inclosure like a spring lamb, and jumped from a minimum of 45 degrees before the sun was up until it reached 58.4 maximum. That is 17 degrees higher than it should be for this time of the season, according to the records for normal temperatures for this period at the office of James H. Scarr, district forecaster. And there is no cold wave in sight, according to Mr. Scarr's maps. Conditions are such on the Pacific Coast, however, that one may depend there within a few days, and if it follows the proper air routes it would roll across the country to the Atlantic seaboard.

With the exception of a narrow belt along the Atlantic Coast, general cloudiness and rain prevailed through all the sections east of the Rocky Mountains yesterday. That means, in the reckoning of the local forecasters, that we will have rain to-day, with the temperature remaining about the same until to-morrow, when it is expected to go even higher. As a solace for the unfortunate people who have their summer garments stored beyond recall, the prophets conceded that the temperature might begin to fall on Wednesday, gradually and reluctantly, for a few days, perhaps. But it would probably come back after that, they said.

While New York has been particularly favored with this mildness of the air for several days, the temperature has been in excess of the normal practically all over the country. At Saranac Lake the exceedingly warm weather has destroyed the December sleighing, for the first time in sixty years.

All indications point to a "green Christmas," with bad sleighing for the patron saint and his eight tiny reindeer. And, of course, if St. Nick himself can't get over the ground and deliver the goods there will be some element of consolation to the sorely oppressed citizen who labors under the belief that things really do cost more than they used to. What is the use of buying Christmas gifts if you cannot get them delivered?

No doubt the warm spell has brought discomfort to hundreds of thoughtless persons who had visions of the snowcapped hills of a rural December and put away in mothballs the spring coat and the midwinter underwear. On the other hand, it has brought its blessings, too; a bit of warmth to that great army of the unemployed whose members may not even possess a mothball, let alone the garments upon which to lay it; a reduction in the coal bill of the crowded tenements, and many other comforts to the poor and needy.

And then it has brought about a real saving to the city, and naturally not necessarily to the taxpayers. Whether the warm days affected the physical comfort of "Big Bill" Edwards, Street Cleaning Commissioner, they did bring joy to his heart in lessening the task of removing the snow from the streets after the storm of last week, when six and one-half inches of snow fell. He said yesterday that the climb of the mercury during the last three or four days had meant a saving of 50 per cent to the public purse in his department.

He backed up his assertion with some convincing figures. "The unusually warm weather which has prevailed since the recent snowstorm has saved us at least 50 per cent in the expense of removing the snow," he said. "Last winter we had a storm when 5.3 inches of snow fell, and it cost the city \$352,253 to remove it from the streets. In the recent storm, 6.5 inches of snow fell, and its removal has cost just \$100,000."

Commissioner Edwards said that practically all the snow was off the streets now, with the exception of a little in some streets on the upper East Side, which would have to be removed to-day. The expense of removing that was included in the \$100,000, he said.

LONG ILL. ENDS HER LIFE

Mrs. Gubelmann, Wife of Member of Yale Faculty, Drowns Self.

New Haven, Dec. 10.—Following an illness of five months, which had wrecked her nervous system, Mrs. Alfred Edward Gubelmann, wife of a member of the Yale faculty, committed suicide yesterday by throwing herself in the West River. Her body was found to-day after a general search by Yale faculty members, students and neighbors of Mr. Gubelmann.

ONE DEAD, 3 HELD IN RIOT OF INCENDIARISM

Harlem's Terror, Growing for Two Months, Reaches Height in Series of Thrills.

FIREMEN ON RUN ALL DAY

Baffled by Spread of Suspicious Blazes, Police Believe They Are the Work of One Man.

The first death and the first arrests of importance in the carnival of incendiaryism, the 150 fires of which have held residents of Harlem in terror for two months, occurred last night when former Fire Captain Samuel Best dropped dead while watching the fire fighters working at an incendiary fire in the tenement building in which he lived, at No. 2371 Eighth avenue, and Frank De Rosa and his wife, of No. 2002 Second avenue, were locked up, charged with arson, following a suspicious blaze in their apartments yesterday.

The fire to which the old battalion chief's death lent a tragic significance occurred at 7:35 o'clock in the basement of the building. The flames arose from a heap of rubbish in the cellar, and by the time the firemen got to the scene the blaze had begun eating into the woodwork of the lower floors, filling the house with dense clouds of smoke. Mr. Best, his wife and his son Andrew were watching the firemen from a window on the third floor. Suddenly the aged fireman staggered and fell backward into his son's arms and died almost instantly.

On the sidewalk below was Battalion Chief Galvin, with whom the retired battalion chief had worked. Captain Best retired in 1901, after having served in the department for more than thirty-four years. He was among the first to learn of the outbreak of the fire last night, and almost up to the moment of his death had been walking through the hallways of the building quieting the panicky members of the twenty-four families who lived there.

Smell of Burning Oil.

De Rosa's arrest came as the result of a fire which was discovered about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Firemen arrived before the flames had had time to make much headway, and as they broke into the flat they smelled burning oil. During the investigation of the premises following the extinguishing of the blaze the firemen and police say quantities of oil soaked rags were found in a closet.

From a talk with other tenants the police found that the De Rossas had left the house a little before noon. A squad of detectives was detailed to the job, and when early last evening the man and his wife returned they were arrested. They said they left the children, but refused to discuss the fire or make any statement. The police say De Rosa recently had a \$1,000 fire insurance policy renewed on the furniture in his apartment, which was not worth more than \$100. When his wife was searched several pawn tickets of recent date were found in her clothes.

The experiences of Harlem residents, together with those of the police and firemen, during the last thirty-six hours have raised the excitement and terror of residents of the district to the highest pitch. Three arrests in all were made yesterday on the charge of arson, the first being that of a man found in the hallway of one of the burning buildings early yesterday morning. This man was trapped by the police and firemen before he could escape, and was unable to account for his presence in the building.

He told the police that he was Alfred Morris, a laborer, living at No. 2392 Third avenue. His arrest, however, was almost overlooked in the headlong scramble of police and firemen to prevent the sweeping of the entire district by a series of incendiary fires that began at 2 o'clock yesterday morning and continued at intervals of from ten to twenty-five minutes for the next hour and a half.

The first fire that called the department out started in the hallway of the house at No. 211 East 118th street. It was discovered by a tenant who was returning home and opened the hall door to walk into a volley of hot smoke that poured out all about him. This fire was put out with small damage to the building.

Informed of Second Blaze.

While the men were fighting this fire Patrolman Bourdon, who was on the fire line, was informed by a man who came running up that flames were coming from the hallway at No. 53 East 119th street. The firemen rushed around the corner to this blaze, and got it put out before it had done much damage. A cursory examination of the premises convinced the firemen that the blaze was the work of a firebug, as was the first.

The firemen had scarcely returned to their quarters when, at 2:50 o'clock, another alarm was turned in. This time the trouble was found at No. 125 East 118th street, in a house occupied by twenty families. Considerable difficulty was experienced in getting all of them to the street. Half an hour from the time the alarm was received, and just as the firemen were leaving the 118th street place, the fourth alarm sounded for a blaze at No. 1855 Park avenue. This was the fire at which Morris was arrested. The damage to the building was very slight.

The last fire of the series started at 3:30 o'clock, at No. 161 East 118th street. Like all its predecessors, it was kindled in a hallway and was evidently incendiary. These fires, following on the heels of the two-alarm fire at Fort George on Saturday night, have roused the Harlem police to a degree of excitement that almost matches that of the residents. The wholesale incendiary operations of the last twenty-four hours have completed the climax, they say, to a series of firebug operations never equalled in the history of the city. Firemen have answered an average of five alarms a

MERE WOMAN WHO TILTS AT MAYOR.

MRS. HARRIOT STANTON BLATCH. Who says Mayor Gaynor is partly to blame for the rowdiness prevalent in New York.



MAYOR GAYNOR. Who is quoted as writing to a boy that he would tell policemen to wink at ball playing in the streets.

MRS. BLATCH ON ROWDIES

Holds Mayor Gaynor Partly to Blame for Ruffianism.

SUFFRAGE WOULD END EVIL

Speaker Once Knocked Down by Football in Street, and Names Other Outrages.

Twenty or more suffragettes discussed "Rowdism in American Cities" over tea-cups yesterday afternoon in a room occupied by the Women's Political Union, at No. 45 East 25th street. Mrs. Harriot Stanton Blatch, who might write a book some day on "Wall Street Men I Have Met," was the principal speaker. Without mincing words, she related a lot of incidents of lawlessness that she had observed among Cornell University students, called up the treatment that Mrs. Pankhurst received at Harvard and "touched up" the picture with some incriminating references to the "less educated boys in Wall Street."

"Why, all fair-minded travelers would tell you," she said, "that there is nothing like it in all Europe."

Looking around for the cause of it all, Mrs. Blatch found that the "race assimilation process" going on in America was partly responsible, and from what she has heard about the way some New York City public schools were conducted she thought she had discovered another reason. But the most scandalous contributing cause of them all was the attitude of Mayor Gaynor, who, she declared, had written to a New York boy not long ago that he would instruct the police to "give a great big wink" when they saw boys playing ball in the streets.

"Why, ladies, I was knocked down once in the street by a football kicked by a twenty-year-old boy. Think of it! True, the one who kicked the ball didn't hit me; he designed, but, dear me, one can never tell where a ball will go! Not long ago a woman carrying a baby in the street was struck by a batted ball and knocked down. The ball came so close to the baby's head that it bent the little victim of its instant. Every Monday we read in the papers of rowdies arrested in the streets and in the elevated and subway trains."

"Now, what did we hear a few months ago when the boy who couldn't play ball in the street wrote to the Mayor? What was the Mayor's reply? It was one of driving emotion. He was so profoundly sympathetic for the boys, and he was so devotedly sorry that they had been stopped from playing ball in the streets, and he would tell the policemen to give 'a great big wink' at such doings hereafter."

"My dear ladies," continued Mrs. Blatch, "I affirm that Mayor Gaynor's attitude helped to train those boys in the school of lawlessness. If Mayor Gaynor had been knocked down in the street, as I was, or if he had lost the sight of an eye from a batted baseball, as a woman that I know of, he might have taken a different view of such a situation."

"Gilbert Parker, the English novelist, has reluctantly said in an interview that, although we have a less bitter industrial situation confronting us than England has, we are more given to lawlessness. He spoke of the McNamara dynamiting. He did not allude to that, but to that deed of chivalry among American men—that tarring and feathering act recently perpetrated out West."

PRISONER IN WOODS 6 DAYS

Young Man Caught in Crevice Between Rocks May Die.

Southbridge, Mass., Dec. 10.—Unconscious from hunger and exposure, James Leek, a factory employe, who had been missing since last Tuesday, was found by a searching party to-day lying in a crevice between two ledges in the woods a mile from this village. Leek had not revived sufficiently to-night to make an explanation, but the police theory is that he fell into the crevice while on his way to work in the darkness of early morning and that he had been there helpless during the six days of his disappearance, while parties engaged in the search for him have many times passed the spot.

Leek's physicians said to-night that he had a chance of recovery. He is thirty years old and has a wife and child.

POKER GAME DOOMS CLUB

Marked Cards Used in Newport Country Organization.

Newport, R. I., Dec. 10.—As the result of a poker game, in which, it is said, several business men have lost several thousand dollars, the Newport Country Club is to be disbanded. The board of governors, which is headed by ex-Mayor William P. Clarke, has decided to make a recommendation of disbandment at a club meeting this week.

Stories of the poker game, which is said to have been crooked, and reports of the finding of packs of marked cards became known last week, and since then all Newport has been talking of the club affairs and speculating as to the probable losses.

HOTEL PORTER LEFT \$50,000

Bostonian Saved His Tips and Bought Real Estate.

Boston, Dec. 10.—John Feeney, who met death by falling down an elevator well yesterday at the Revere House, where he had been a porter for twenty years, left \$50,000, amassed, his friends say, from money he received as tips from patrons of the hotel.

In the many years Feeney had been at the hotel he had served some of the most prominent men in the country, and, according to the manager, was called for by guests at the hotel, who had remembered him from months before. He saved his tips until he had enough to invest in real estate. He leaves a wife.

THINKS SHE'S A SQUIRREL

Girl from Nutley, N. J., Taken to Bellevue Hospital.

Perhaps it was because Emma Downes, a servant, was "nutty" that she thought she was a squirrel. Anyway, Patrolman Novella, of the West 6th street station, found Emma climbing trees on Riverside Drive, near 76th street, yesterday afternoon. Now and then she would jump up and down on the benches or run nimbly along the top of the wall, and then leap to a tree and start upward.

TAFT SURE WINNER, COMMITTEEMEN SAY

Republican National Body, Assembling in Washington, Discusses Political Outlook for 1912.

LA FOLLETTE'S BOOM WEAK

Asserted by Several He Will Not Get Fifty Votes in the Convention—Roosevelt Taken at His Word.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, Dec. 10.—President Taft will be renominated on the first ballot and will be elected. This is the way most of the members of the Republican National Committee who have thus far arrived in Washington sum up their forecast of the political happenings of the coming year. They regard the prediction of The Tribune that La Follette will not receive one hundred votes in the national convention as conservative. Some of them insist he will not receive half that number. They take Colonel Roosevelt at his word and say he will not be a candidate for the nomination, and will not even permit the use of his name. They are convinced that the split between the radical and the conservative factions in the Democratic party will prove fatal to the aspirations of whatever candidate may be chosen at the Democratic National Convention.

But not only do the members of the national committee favor the renomination of Mr. Taft, but so do the most influential men in Congress. Senator Brandegee, of Connecticut, discussing the situation to-day, said: "I expect to see President Taft renominated next summer and re-elected in the autumn. Of course, there will be some 'favorite son' demonstrations, but they will all want to get in the band wagon in the end. The claim that Taft could not carry some states which he carried before must be received with considerable discount. It is advanced in the main by those who are booming rival candidates for the purpose of scaring Taft's friends into abandoning him for some compromise candidate. This is so well understood that the manœuvre will fail."

Says Party Will Be Solid.

"The cracks in the surface of Republican harmony have been examined so long under a magnifying glass that their width and depth are much exaggerated. As soon as the nomination is made the cracks will close and the party will go down the line in solid formation, as usual. Republicans differ from the Democrats more than they do from each other and have nothing to gain by turning the political control of the government over to the Democratic party."

"Until recently, public attention has been concentrated on Republican differences. From now on Democrats troubles will obtrude themselves. Taft has a great big driving wheel. He has a brave, kindly heart, an honest purpose, a well trained legal mind and a comprehensive grasp on all the intricacies of problems which confront us. His capacity for hard work seems without limit. As a great administrator he has already surpassed every one of our Presidents. His record is stainless and his character above reproach."

"His genial disposition, his uniform courtesy, his unflinching self-control under exasperating criticism and unjust attack, his scorn of political arts and tricks, his contempt of the 'timelike' an low-priced stage scenery with which the galleries are so often appealed to; his unaffected, straightforward methods; his peaceful patriotism and his innate love of justice are well understood and thoroughly appreciated by the people in all walks of life, both at home and abroad. If President Taft, with his record, his personal attributes and public policies cannot be nominated and elected by the Republican party, then no one can be."

Sutherland Has Wide Observation.

Senator Sutherland, of Utah, who has not only visited a large part of the West since Congress adjourned, but who has also passed much time in Wisconsin, having been a member of the committee investigating Senator Stephenson's election, said to-night:

"I am wholly in favor of President Taft's nomination and election, and I am convinced he will be re-elected. At the present moment a man of his characteristics is required. The country has many great questions before it and it is passing through a very important process of readjustment. A man of experience who is deliberate in his actions, careful in his methods, cautious and conservative in his judgment is needed to conduct the affairs of the government until this crisis is passed. All talk of the possibility of the nomination of an insurgent candidate, while it adds to the gayety of politics and gives our newspaper men something to write about, is all folly, as will be realized by any one who will make a trip through the Western country where the mythical insurgent strength is supposed to exist."

Hysterical Politic Passing.

"Moreover, they distinguish between frenzy and actual achievement. The hysterical phase of politics is passing. There is a reaction against the abusive